

COMMISSION ON EMERGENCY PLANNING AND RESPONSE

MINUTES

October 3, 2003

Attendees:

Capt. Mark Bruce – Kansas Highway Patrol (KHP)
Jerry Davis – Finney County Commissioner
Jack Taylor – City of Emporia Fire Department
Shane Munch – Astaris
Britt McKinney – Wolf Creek Generating Plant
Randy Duncan – Chairman, Sedgwick County Emergency Management
Major General Greg Gardner – Adjutant General
Dick Morrissey – Kansas Department of Health & Environment (KDHE)
Dick Heitschmidt – City of Hutchinson
Susan Barker – Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT)
Dan Thompson – State Fire Marshal's Office

Conference Call – Dr. Lyle Noordhoek – Central Plains Laboratory

Members of public and support staff were in attendance

Members not in Attendance:

Randy Mettner – Kansas Department of Commerce

Meeting:

- Meeting opened at 9:34
- Remarks from Committee Members/Public
- Minutes from January 16, 2003 meeting were reviewed and approved.
 - Jerry Davis motioned and Jack Taylor seconded the motion
- Committee Reports:
 - State Hazard Mitigation Team Julie Eichen
 - Handout provided current status of number of ongoing projects.
 - Public Safety Communications Committee Gene Krase
 - Reported the committee recommends
 - Continued support and improvements to the current 800/700 Mhz system
 - Adoption of Project-25 Compliant radios as the standard
 - Implementation status of Department of Transportation tower teams

- Presented updated Communications Committee Charter. Gen Gardner motioned adoption and Dick Heitschmidt second the motion. Motion passed
 - LEPC Appointment Committee – status of requests and approval of LEPC committees Letcia Arzate
 - Homeland Security Working Group Gene Krase
 - Presented new charter changing name from Terrorism Working Group to Homeland Security Working Group. Gen Gardner motioned to accept new charter with name change and Dan Thompson seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- New Business:
 - Briefing regarding the current status of the developing National Response Plan & National Incident Management System Gen. Greg Gardner
 - Gen Gardner gave a presentation about proposed Homeland Security Regions based on hospital referral patterns researched several years ago by the Division of Health. Adopt the recommended Kansas Homeland Security Regions. Gen Gardner motioned and Jack Taylor seconded the motion. Motion passed.
 - 73rd CST (WMD) Briefing about the organization and capabilities and how to access the team. Lt. Col. Scott Dold
 - Oktoberfest (Regional Bio-Terrorism Exercise) report about the number participants and locations and some initial lessons learned. Mindee Reece
 - Current status of Office of Domestic Preparedness Grants – In final closeout of FY-02 equipment grants. Will open FY-03 equipment grants in Jan 04 Capt. Mark Bruce
 - EPA Update – current national level issues Fatimatou Ndiaye
 - After Action Review (Eastern KS Tornadoes) – Overview of response timelines and current status of recovery Gen. Greg Gardner
 - Discussion about renewing Randy Duncan as Chairman for another year. Gen. Gardner motioned and Britt McKinney seconded the motion. Motion passed
- Meeting adjourned